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Professor-Doctor Roemer, director of the university's Institute for Plant Cultivation. He is 94 years old and devotes his interests mainly to the cultivation of grain and leguminous plants of which he has developed numerous types.

CONDUCTS RESEARCH ON DIABETES CURE -- Neues Deutschland, No 164, 16 Jul 49

Prof Max Buerger, M. D., of Leipzig is outstanding for research on metabolism. In his latest work, "Altern und Krankheit" (Aging and Disease), he set down the results of his 30 years' experience in an attempt to establish the influence of the age factor on the course and cure of diseases. His determinations proved, among other things, that the therapeutic effect of medicines varies according to age groups.

In the investigation of metabolic disturbances in diabetes Buerger came to the realization that the pancreas produces not just one, but several hormones. One of these, glukagon, was his discovery.

After the war Buerger devoted himself particularly to the improvement of nutrition for sick persons. He stressed the effectiveness of dry yeast in cases of albumen deficiency and was the first to prove that nutritional dropsy, a common disease since 1945, is not caused by malnutrition as such but by a specific deficiency of albumen and that it can be cured by supplying the system with adequate amounts of animal albumen.

Buerger has published about 200 articles and 20 books. He is a member of the German Insulin Committee and serves on the board of the German Society for Internal Medicine.

SURGEON ORDERED TO DISCONTINUE WORK --Neue Zuercher Zeitung, No 2536, 5 Dec 49

Professor Sauerbruch, world-renowned surgeon of the Charite Hospital, which is located in the Soviet Sector of Berlin, has been asked by the German Democratic Republic's Ministry of Public Health to discontinue his work immediately.

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